NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (DEQ)

A public hearing for the Drinking Water and the Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund Loan Programs will be held in Helena Wednesday, June 11, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. in the Metcalf Building, (1520 East Sixth Ave.), room 111.

The public hearing will be held to consider Proposed Project Priority Lists and Intended Use Plans for State Fiscal Year 2009 for both SRF programs. The Intended Use Plans identify the intended uses of funds in the loan programs and describe how the goals of the programs will be satisfied. The Project Priority List identifies projects that are eligible to be funded with loan monies authorized and appropriated to the State of Montana through Federal Fiscal Year 2008.

Copies of both Intended Use Plans, which contain the priority lists, may be obtained from the DEQ, Planning, Prevention and Assistance Division, PO Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901, telephone (406) 444-6697 or on the Department web site at: http://www.deq.mt.gov/wqinfo/srf/iup-ppl.asp.

Oral or written comments on the *Priority List* or *Intended Use Plans* may be presented at the public hearing or sent to Mark Smith, Drinking Water Revolving Fund Program Manager, or Paul LaVigne, Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Program Manager, PO Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901. These comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. Friday, June 27, 2008. In addition, communities wanting to add their proposed drinking water or water pollution control projects to the Project Priority List should contact DEQ.

The Department will make reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this hearing. If you need an accommodation, please contact the Department no later than June 9, 2008, to advise us of your need. Please contact Carol Gilmore, phone (406) 444-4643; fax (406) 444-6836; email cgilmore@mt.gov.

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